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PLOT SCENARIO

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1. EMBOFF HAD ROUTINE MEETING WITH LEHMAN JUNE 17 AT FORT BONIFACIO. LEHMAN ADDED A FEW DETAILS TO SCENARIO OUTLINED REFTEL, AS FOLLOWS:

A) FORMER EMBOFF JAMES RAFFERTY AS WELL AS AMBASSADOR BYROADE AND DEFATT PATTERSON WILL BE AMONG THOSE NAMED AS IMPLICATED IN ANTI-MARCOS REBELLION PLOT.

- B) REVELATION WILL COME IN TESTIMONY BY PROSECUTION WITNESS DURING RESUMPTION OF LOPEZ/OSMENA HEARING ON SATURDAY, JUNE 21
- 2. LEHMAN NATURALLY MORE CONCERNED ABOUT HIS OWN SITUATION THAN ABOUT POSSIBLE ANTI-US DEVELOPMENT IN CASE. HE IS MORE THAN EVER ANXIOUS THAT CHARGES AGAINST HIM BE DROPPED BEFORE HE BECOMES INVOLVED IN NEW AND MORE SERIOUS CHARGE OF IMPLICATION IN REBELLION (AS OPPOSED TO MERE ASSASSINATION). HE TOLD EMBOFF THAT IF THINGS DON'T START GOING HIS WAY, HE MAY RECALL FORMER SENATOR DIOKNO AS HIS DEFENSE COUNSEL. LEHMAN'S PRESENT DEFENSE COUNSEL CONFIDENTIAL

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ATTORNEY BERNABE WAS PRESENT DURING INTERVIEW BUT ADDED

LITTLE BEYOND NOTING THAT PROBLEM OF "TIMING" WAS PREVENT-
ING GOVERNMENT FROM DROPPING CHARGES AGAINST LEHMAN.
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